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Guy L. STEELE, JR.) Group Art Unit: 2124		
Application No.: 10/035,582) Examiner: David H. Malzahn		
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For: FLOATING POINT SYSTEM WITH IMPROVED SUPPORT OF INTERVAL ARITHMETIC) Confirmation No.: 2893)		

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Copies of the listed foreign and non-patent literature documents are attached.

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